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HASLEWERE.

THE PARK.

SIDCUP.

May 9th.

Dear Miss Mason

I am wanting to join
an instructive course of reading,
as having left school some
time ago, & being at home, I find
I have a good deal of leisure time
at my disposal, which I am
anxious to occupy usefully.
My friend, M^{rs} Anderson, who
is at present taking your "Mothers"

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HASLEMERE,
THE PARK,
SIDCUP.

"Education Course" has been telling me about it, & advised me to write to you, & ask you if you thought I could take a similar course. Naturally the name rather hinders girls from joining, but as M^{rs} Anderson has pointed out to me, all the various subjects taken up are useful to girls leaving school. I am nearly twenty; I matriculated when I was eighteen, & since then I have quite dropped my studying, but thought I should like to take up some part again.

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I hope you will not mind my writing to ask your advice, I should be very much obliged if you could help me. My Mother is a member of the P. N. E. U.

Yours sincerely
Helen M. Toddhunter

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WESTBURY.

ENDCLIFFE CRESCENT,

SHEFFIELD.

Dear Miss Mason

In forwarding
to you these attempts
at answer questions
received last December,
please allow me to
thank you very sincerely
once again for your
great pity & suffering
exercised towards my
erratic procedure. I
fear it must often
have inconvenienced

you. allow me to
express once again my
deep gratitude to you
for the fresh interests
you have opened up
to me, and the many
fascinating books you
have introduced me to.

With kind regards

yours gratefully
Constance E. Cole

Dear Mr. Cole

Thank you for
 your kind note -
 Let me say that
 you also agree with
 with the given in
 real pleasure &
 I am most glad that my
 note has been repers

WMC has added to your
 interest in life

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Le Val Fleuri.

Sinan.
Côte du Nord.

Feb: 24. 05. France.

Madaen. I have heard
that in connection with
the P. N. E. U. you have
a Mothers' Education Course.
I should much like to join
but shall be abroad for
at least the next six
months; would it be possible
for me to go through the

Course out here. What
 should I do about the
 books? If you think
 this possible kindly send
 me all particulars, when
 I will become a member
 of the Union. I find your
 Magazine most interesting,
 and shall be ~~very glad~~
 to learn more about the

principles & objects of
 the Union. Apologizing
 for the trouble I am giving
 you. Believe me

Yrs. truly
Ran. C. Trickett.

Hardwick Hill

Repaired 1850. June 18th 15.

Dear Miss Mason

While Thanking

you very much

for the Report

you have kindly

sent me, I must

take the opportunity
 of thanking you
 still more for the
 help you have
 given me in the
 Parents Revised School
 & the Mother's Educational

course. I always hoped
 to teach my little girl
 myself but living quite
 in the country I had
 great difficulty in hearing
 of good books & methods.
 Your plan quite helps
 the matter by setting the
 books & the account to

be taught & give a great
stimulus to the child in
the desire to have the work
ready for the exam. I
also find the M. S. C. a great
help to steady reading & the
Exams are useful in showing
one, ones ignorance, & helping
to make clear & definite
what one does know.

Altogether I feel very
grateful & hope to be profited by
Mr Union for a long time to come
Yours truly M. Thurstley

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THANDIANI,

ABBOTTABAD.

Sep. 15th 1908.

Dear Miss Kitching,

Thank you very much for
your letter re information as to The Mother's
(Educational)
~~Reading~~ Course. I could not acknowledge
it at once as our elder son had entered
& we could get no trained nurse to help
with the nursing. He is quite well again
now I am thankful to say. I fear I have
mistaken your letter but I remember
that you did not want letters until
after the middle of September.

I remember your family quite
well, but your mother most especially,
I was so glad to hear from you.

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I sent for the books for the first year's reading at once, & have been able to read several already. They are most helpful & interesting. My husband quite agrees with me that I ought not to undervalue the examinations as I fear I should be tempted to neglect my other work which we think ought to stand first. But I hope to do the appointed reading, & if Miss Mason would allow me to see the Examination Papers without forgetting them, it would be a real help, enabling me to see the standard aimed at.

Your work must be most interesting!

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I always pass on 'The Parents' Review' Miss Mason's books whenever the chance occurs - no parent stays in our house without finding one of the above books in the visitors' room, & it frequently leads to a talk on the training etc. of children. We shall be returning to Lahore at the end of October - my husband is there now.

With kind regards,

Believe me

Yours sincerely

Violet Wigram

Lahore address -

S. John's College

Lahore.

TELEGRAMS, BARNACK.

What about Miss
Parish? Please deal
with this
C.H. (H.M.)

15/1/1929

UFFORD HALL,
STAMFORD.

Nov: 24:

Dear Miss Mason

It was with great
pleasure I saw your
handwriting this morning
Since my boys have grown
up I have heard little
of the work of the P.H. & U.
Ve left Wimbledon

five years ago & the
above is now our per-
manent address.

Please do anything you
like with my papers - I
often feel grateful to
the Moscow Education
Course - I am sure it
taught me a great

deal

If you have a Report to
spare, it is not giving
you too much trouble I
should so much like to
see it & know what the
Union is doing.

Believe me

Yours sincerely
Blakie Volynsk - Whitmore

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Rome -
27th Nov.

Dear Miss Mason -

I am sorry that I cannot
do the examination for the
Mother's educational union
this half year, as I was
away from home nearly
all summer nursing my
Mother who was ill; and
now I myself am confined
bled as I had another
little son a few days ago.
I shall hope to do the
examination in June -

I am Yours Sincerely
Ethie C. Bonar -

To Miss C. M. Mason -
House of Education
Aubleside
Inghilterra

children, from say 3 to
6 years old. It is
with children of this
age that I am suggesting
the paper should deal, "I
feel sure that to
many young parents
the first beginnings
are a very great
difficulty, & for
lack of advice &

teaching themselves in
the matter, the
vital training from
3 to 6, - or say 2 to 6
in holy things is

carried on in a very
hap. hazard way.

While they hardly know
to whom to go for advice
even
if reserve were sufficiently
shaken off to do so.

I do feel this to be a
very real need, & it
need involve no
denominational difficulties
at all.

I wonder if you would
let me put the enclosed
little letter in the P. R. for
next month? It would
make no difference
to conference discussion.

& might even help to
draw members towards the
consideration of the subject.
By the time members come
forward as leaders in
the work of the Union,
they have perhaps most
of them got beyond
& forgotten these early
difficulties & their

Minds are concentrated
on their older boys &
girls, so the young

Mothers in the background
Keep their difficulties to
themselves & come through
them as best they can!

Please forgive me for
writing so much, - it is
a subject I have much
at heart

I am

Yours truly

Florence Fremantle

Another most interesting
point for consideration

would be what general
plan of Bible lessons to
adopt first for little ones,
- Whether for instance to
take Bible stories more
or less in Bible order,
or whether to take subjects
such as obedience, love
etc illustrated by a series
of appropriate stories as
is done in Miss Palmer's
delightful book of
Bible lessons for very young
children

Lovell

Kenley, Surrey.

April 30th.
1901.

Dear Madam.

I have not yet
received my 6th.
examination paper
for the Mothers'
Educational Course
due last December.

My reading has been
much interrupted
by illness & family
duties, but I should
very much like to
complete the
examinations in
Physiology - would
you kindly send me

the paper to the
address below

Yours truly
Edith A. Williams.

Mrs. A. A. Williams.

De Vere Hotel
London. W.

Bella Vista

3 Clifton Road
Winchester

Nov. 19th 1900.

Dear Madam -

I received your
kind letter, and am glad
to know I can join the
M. E. C. at once.

I enclose 21/- in Postal
Order & stamps to cover
entrance fee, and I shall
be quite impatient to have

further information as
to what I am to do, and
what books to order. -

My kindest thanks to Miss
Mason ^{the report} and for
her interest, -

& please say that my
great regret is that I
have not had the chance
of joining before. -

At present we have
whooping-cough in the
house, but I trust it

will soon pass, and if
afterwards I could be
of any assistance to
you in helping to form
a branch here I should
be delighted. -

With many thanks -

I am - dear Madam

Faithfully yours

Mary Johnstone Rose.

I am sending 10/- for the
yearly subscription to London
according to directions

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Mrs. in for Bella Vista
much int. bel. for
let. D. C. just what 3 Clifton Road
you want Winchester

Nov. 15th 1900

Dear Madam -

Until three
weeks ago I had never even
heard of or seen the "Parents
Review"! The Mothers'
Education Course seems to
promise just the kind of
help of which I stand
in need, and I shall
be very glad to receive

information as to how I
am to join, and whether
I could start work
immediately. — My dear
little girl is just over
two years, and if possible
I should like to fit myself
for training her, and some
other little friends of
which I am to have charge.
Before my marriage, I
had some experience in
teaching, but latterly I

took up music specially,
dropping other subjects.
At present I am one of
the music-teachers at
"West Downs" (though only
for a short time daily. 1 hour)
my husband is also one
of Mr. Helbert's staff,
and there also I have
made the acquaintance
of Miss F. Rankine, a
teacher whom you know
very well. — I must, however,

crave pardon for this
lengthy discussion on
personal affairs - and
tell you how grateful
I shall be to be assisted
in the right direction
for training these little
ones who are such a
beautiful & sacred charge.

Yours Sincerely

Mary Johnstone Rose.

LOVELL,
KENLEY, SURREY.

M. E. C. July 26th/900.

Dear Madam.

I much regret
that owing to
illness I have
been unable to
send in my
Examination paper

for the 1st half year it is in when it
 & am afraid I re-open.

cannot now complete Yours faithfully
 it before the House Edith A. Williams.
 of Education closes
 on August 1st but
 I hope to send
 (Mrs. A. W. —)

MS. A. 158 pneu 29

Endcliffe Crescent
Sheffield

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Aug: 13th 1908

Dear Miss Mason,

I enclose my exam:
paper for the M. E. C. due
last June, and shall be
obliged if you will kindly
let me have the list of
books for the third year's
Divinity reading.

I am

yours sincerely
Constance E. Cole

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The Cottages.

Whitfield -

May 20th

Mr. Dover -

Dear Madam,

I have lately
become a Member of P.R.E.U.
& should like, if I can
manage it to join the
Brothers' Educational Course.
Will you be kind enough
to tell me, when would be
the best time to begin, &
also if I could & borrow

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all the books required for
the course from the P.H.E.U.
Library? I do not feel able
to go to the expense of buying
books for it, & should therefore
be glad to know before starting
what the expense of the
course would be, which I
believe would be a great
help to me in the training
of my three little ones -

Believe me,

Yours truly,

Margaret E. Worsfold -

Miss Charlotte Mason -

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BOLLINGTON,

NEAR MACCLESFIELD.

60 Lonsdale Rd

Barnes. S.W.

Decr. 3rd 1900.

My dear Miss Mason,

It is with much
regret that I find it is
impossible for me to finish
the Mother's Educational
Course. I had hoped that
when we were settled in
here that I should have
had time to read steadily,

but owing to
the war my
husband has met with
very serious losses in
his business & I can see
that for some years I
shall have no time for
steady reading. It is a
great disappointment
to me. The paper you
have sent is very interesting
& I could write answers
to a large number of the
questions from my own

experience & general reading
but I have read scarcely
any of the text books this
year & therefore think it
better not to attempt the
paper. The course has
been of much interest
to me & I shall never
regret having tried to take
it although my circum-
stances do not admit
of my carrying it to
its completion.
~~successful issue~~.

Miss Gayford is still with me
 & I hope she may be able to
 stay with me - The children
 are very fond of her & are
 I feel developing satis-
 factory under her guidance

With thanks

I am

Yours very sincerely

Elizabeth Nichol.

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Overton House
Cliff Terrace
Aberystwith

20/4/00

My dearest Ethel,

I have been here since last Friday having taken some rooms at 10/0 a week near the college. Aberystwith is a quaint place populated almost entirely by young people of both sexes who are either Students or late Students at the college. It is so funny to hear the small children in the streets chattering in Welsh though they are all bi-lingual and so are quite at home in English too.

When I do not go up to the college I spend my time sketching or reading on the rocks. The journey here was rather expensive but living is pretty cheap. I can never be too grateful for having a little money of my ^{own} ~~mine~~. I do not know what I should do without it as travelling does mount up so and I do want to save a bit for future schemes. There are several old schoolfellows of mine here though none except Julia Abbott that I know very intimately. I saw an old school-mistress yesterday whom I have not seen for eight years nearly.

She left the school before I was 15. She is an M.A. of London. She was

very much interested in P.N.E.U. and in my nature note book and says she is thinking of starting a nature diary herself. The students here have an absolutely free life. I shall be sorry for some of them when they leave and have a hard life at school teaching for they are not prepared by any sort of discipline here. They come down in the morning any time before nine when breakfast which begins at 8 a.m. is cleared away. Then they go out to lectures and can cut a good many if they like and with a little discretion. They can go out alone and can ask friends in. There are studies between 6 or 8 and separate cubicles for those who pay

a little more can have private study bedrooms with a fire when they want it. Their work however is not nearly so varied and interesting as ours was and they are much more over-ridden by continual examinations. They have less training and more teaching than we had but what I should miss most of all is of course a personal influence and genius such as Miss Mason's. They live much more "en masse" than we did and I cannot help feeling that many of these girls though much cleverer than we were and more able to pass examinations and get degrees would not be at all fitted for the life of a governess. They know nothing of nature lore and things to interest little children and have not learnt what Miss Mason used to call the

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"art of living together". I am going to take some of them out for a nature walk next half holiday and they do not know the different trees or anything. Of course they are preparing for very different work and so the whole place is on different lines from Scale How. They do not seem to get such good profits as we do and altogether the more I see of other places the more I feel satisfied with Scale How. I saw my uncle

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He is writing a book on the
teaching of mathematics to children
up to 13 or 14 years of age. He
showed me some of the manuscripts
which will be helpful to me in
teaching Margaret. I talk P.N.E.U
here and have shown one of your
papers to people just in case they
might hear of anything being
in an educational atmosphere
They are all inclined to be interested.
When you write tell me what you

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SANDHURST

WHEATFIELD ROAD

AYR. N.B.

19th June, 1900.

Dear Madam.

I have been quite
unable, from illness
and other causes, to do
any reading for the
Mother's Education Course.
I intended writing to let
you know before this,
but we have just been

removing, and it
 escaped my memory
 at the time.

I see no prospect at
 present, indeed for a
 couple of years, at any
 rate, of doing anything
 more than I have to
 do just now. I thought so,
 I saw my way clearly,
 when I entered my name,
 but other things, one of
 them a young baby,
 have more than fully
 occupied my time.
 It will be much better
 for me to give it up,
 as I regret doing
 it when the child
 is more off my
 hands. I find I can make

time for extra reading,
I will do so then.

I am
yours truly
Annie H. Templeton.

TELEGRAMS-
FREMANTLE WHEATLEY.
STATION-WHEATLEY. C.W.R.

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HOLTON PARK,
OXFORD.

Till May 6

14 Craven Hill Gardens
Lancaster Gate
W.

Jan 16. '01.

Dear Miss Mason

Forgive me for
writing direct to you
to suggest a subject
for the Conference.

The nature of it
made me feel that

I should like to write
straight to you about
it. It is the
religious training & teaching
of very young children
I say from 2 to 6 years old.
I mean a paper
dealing with such
points as the following:
- on what plan it

is desirable to present
the Gospel story to little
children & at what age
or stage of development
they should first hear
of the death &
resurrection of our
Lord. - Then whether
in teaching texts &
hymns, parts of
which are somewhat
beyond the understanding

of the child, the
dangers of formalism
outweighs the advantage
of the strong impression
or memory made by very
early teaching, or not at

#What age the child
should join in public
services, or in family
prayers. - Religious
books suitable for
the very youngest

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FREMANTLE WHEATLEY.
STATION-WHEATLEY. C. W. R.

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HOLTON PARK,
OXFORD.

Unable to take examination
